

Sports

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TORRANCE HERALD

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Metropolitan Conference Selects El Camino Oval for Track Finals

Local track and field activities will reach a new high during the week of April 29-May 3, when the cream of this year's junior college cinder stars from Bakersfield to San Diego convene at El Camino College to seek out 1957 champions at the Metropolitan Conference track and field finale, Conference Commissioner Cecil G. Zaun officially announced yesterday.

EC Mermen At Long Beach Pool Tomorrow

Bustly preparing for the Metropolitan Conference Swimming meet in Long Beach tomorrow, the El Camino College aqua squad hopes to bring home winning honors.

In the last meet at Long Beach Brent Bake of ECG set a new record for himself in the 440 free style event, cutting his new time to 5:06.04. In the same meet, mermen Bob Justice, Don Delaney, John Cooke and Lake won the 400 free style relay race.

In the diving division Buddy Carcia and Bob Justice placed first and second respectively. Despite these standout performances, the Warriors dropped the Long Beach event.

In a non-conference meet with University of California at Los Angeles, the Warriors were unable to take top honors in any division.

Eight of the top JC track teams in the state, each of which is eager to relieve Los Angeles Valley JC of the team championship captured last spring, will see action.

Present plans call for holding the meet in two sections, a preliminary meet on Tuesday, April 30, which will serve as an elimination event to determine who will compete for the top money in each event on the following Friday.

Valley, the defending titlist, will receive stiff assaults on its attempt to repeat as the conference flag holder from Santa Monica City College, East Los Angeles JC, Harbor, Long Beach City College, San Diego, Bakersfield, and El Camino when these squads converge on the local college's runways.

Individual winners at this meet will be eligible to continue to try their luck against the entire state's best three weeks later, when all the conference champions and their runner-ups vie in the state meet at Modesto's California Relays.

In announcing the site of the league production, Zaun, the conference czar, released no notice of officials who will oversee the event.

Demand Up For Increased Camping Sites

Improved roads coupled with increasing amount of free time available to American workers has boomed the demand for public camping sites.

Ben H. Thompson, chief of the Division of Cooperative activities of the National Park Service, estimates that nearly 20 million campers will be bed down in our national and state parks this season compared to less than 9½ million campers as recently as 1950.

H. Werner Buck, co-producer of the Sportsmen's Vacation, Boat and Trailer Show, running through Sunday at Pan Pacific auditorium, declared:

"The lure of the great outdoors has seldom seemed so strong to so many Americans. This trend, along with a growing demand for fancier equipment, is keeping cash registers humming for the folks who sell tents, sleeping bags and all the rest."

"Manufacturers of picnicking and camping equipment anticipate a 20 per cent boost in sales in 1957."

Buck said that a survey conducted by a trade publication reported that executives see no end to the phenomenal post-war boom in outdoor living.

A principal factor leading to the continued increase is the ascendancy of the whole family as participants to outdoor recreation.

Obvious contributing factors are continued high employment and income, increased leisure, greater per capita rate of automobile and home ownership.

Every conceivable type of outdoor equipment will be on view at the show. Doors open at 1 p.m. daily and at noon Saturdays and Sundays. Closing hour is 11 p.m.

Pac-Am Loop Gets Outfits, New Sponsors

Following an all day session Sunday, the Pacific American Babe Ruth League announced a new set-up for the coming season and selected team managers.

In addition to new sponsors this season, the team members will have new uniforms this year with names picked from American League teams.

Managing the Indians will be Joe Venable with the Chet Kohler Construction Co. sponsoring the team. The Orioles, backed by the 7-Up Bottling Co., will be managed by Jim Nix. Missionary Construction sponsors the Red Sox with Duke Christian as manager.

The Pilots are managed by Leonard Gomez and sponsored by Vegas Airways while the Tigers, sponsored by Torrance Sand and Gravel, are managed by Ralph Freese. Mr. Zimmerman manages the Senators who are backed by the Riviera Rotary. Sponsored by the Joe Bellante Realty Co., the Yankees are managed by Mr. Bozen. Mr. Berry runs the Athletics, sponsored by the Torrance Rotary.



(Herald Photo)

NO SINGING ROUTINE! . . . Torrance center fielder Bob Clifford isn't imitating Elvis Presley as he attempted to elude Inglewood catcher John Patera in fifth inning plate action Tuesday. Clifford was ruled out as the Sentinels scored 10 times in the first frame and went on to rout the Tartars 14-2 at Torrance Park. Torrance plays league leading Mira Costa today on the Mustang field.

Undefeated Beverly Hills Trounces North High, 16-2

Beverly Hills remained unbeaten in Pioneer League play Tuesday as the Normans rallied for 11 runs in their initial trip to the plate and swamped winless North High 16-2 in a second round clash on the Saxon field.

The Norman win gave the defending loop champs a two-game edge over second place Hawthorne, who were subdued by Morningside 6-2. It was the sixth time the Saxons have taken it on the chin.

In their errorless 14-hit performance the victors completely dominated their foe as three Beverly Hills twirlers limited the Saxons to five hits. All of the Norman first inning tallies were earned. It was the second time the Saxons have lost to Beverly in double figures, dropping a previous meeting 14-1.

Coach Del Nuzem's charges travel to Culver City today to meet the Centaurs, presently in fifth place with a 2-3 record.

In other action Morningside upset second place Hawthorne, getting all six runs before the Cougars could push across two markers in their last plate appearance.

Don Anderson threw a six-hitter at Hawthorne, who committed six costly errors. The Monarchs scored the deciders in the fourth when they accounted for two runs. The win left the Monarchs in a tie with El Segundo for third place, each boasting a 3-3 mark.

El Segundo stayed in contention as Dan Kenny tossed a two-hitter at Culver City to blank the visitors 2-0. The Eagles garnered what proved to be the winning run in the third stanza.

Beverly Hills . . . (11) 00 022 1-16 14 0
North High . . . 000 010 1-2 8 1
Blair, Rollop (3), Mann (6) and Mills; Foutta, Thompson (6) and Fittinger
Hawthorne . . . 000 000 2-2 6 6
Morningside . . . 011 210 0-5 11 1
Long and Sheets; Anderson and Jordan
Culver City . . . 000 000 0-0 0 0
El Segundo . . . 001 010 0-2 2 1
Burnett and Medaglia; Kenny and Long.

CIF SCORES
BAY LEAGUE
Inglewood 14, Torrance 2.
Santa Monica 11, Redondo 5.
Leuzinger 3, Centennial 0.
PIONEER LEAGUE
Beverly Hills 16, North 2.
Morningside 6, Hawthorne 2.
El Segundo 3, Culver City 0.

ECC Intramural Program Offers Varied Activities

Providing opportunities for competitive athletic activities to those students unable to compete in intercollegiate sports, the intramural program at El Camino College attracts some 800 students annually.

Touch football, basketball, and softball are the three major sports activities offered under the program which is recognized as being outstanding in college circles. A regular season for basketball features a large tournament.

Faculty and student teams both take part in the softball season. Other sports which are included in the program are track, swimming, wrestling, tennis, bowling, ping-pong and volleyball. Individual medals are offered in track, and one swim meet is held each semester.

Any student or faculty member is eligible to participate with competition between campus organizations the backbone of the program. Strong independent teams enter all phases of the program, however. Co-educational sports are

Survey Shows Leisure Time For Americans

Participating sport facts: Every third day is a play-day in the USA!

The average wage earner, with two weeks vacation plus week ends and holidays, has 121 leisure days a year and spends an aggregate of \$30 billion a year on it.

The nation's top family sport is boating with 28 million Americans taking to the waterways in 5,971,000 boats.

According to Dr. Ernest Dichter, boats may some day replace the psychiatrist's couch. Writing in "Boating Journal" he stated that the American family is now taking a Sunday cruise instead of a Sunday drive to seek calm and peace and escape modern day frazzled nerves.

There are 25 million hunters and fishermen in the United States. One in every four households in the U. S. has one or more.

In California alone, there are nearly 2 million hunters and fishermen and they spent \$487 million in 1955. This amount far overshadows the combined expenditures of all Californians for admission to all sporting events, including professional, collegiate, and high school football, baseball and basketball, as well as movies, plays and concerts.



HALF MILER . . . One of El Camino's most consistent winners, distance runner Lee Miller practices for tomorrow's triangular spikefest with Harbor and East Los Angeles on the Husky oval.

Miller won the 880 last week with a 2:00.8 timing, placed in the mile, and ran a lap in the winning ECC relay team. Long Beach continues to dominate the Metropolitan Conference and meets strong Valley with Santa Monica tomorrow on the Corsair field.

Inglewood Tallies Ten in First, Routs Torrance Baseballers, 14-2

Defending Bay League champion Inglewood, on the heels of a loss to Mira Costa Friday, exploded for 10 tallies in the first frame Tuesday and went on to swamp Torrance 14-2 in league action at Torrance Park.

The victory gave the Sentinels a 3-1 mark, one half game behind the idle Mustangs who boast a 3-0 slate. It was Torrance's second consecutive loss and left the Tartars with a 2-3 Bay Loop record.

Coach Chuck Freeman's powerful Inglewood club, which has won top league honors for three straight seasons, jumped on Torrance starter Bob Clifford and his reliefer Paul Moir with a barrage of singles and doubles to cross the plate 10 times in their initial trip to bat. Ron Veres also was pitching duty for the helpless hosts.

Inglewood's stellar hurler Marty Fortson tossed a five-hitter at his opposition and was in serious trouble only once. In the fifth, Torrance loaded the bases with none out but failed to score. The Sentinels garnered 12 hits off the three Tartar pitchers.

The Tartars travel to the beach today to encounter the league leading Mira Costa team at 3 p.m. The game will mark the end of the first round of play for the Tartars who draw a bye in Tuesday's action.

Santa Monica moved into third place in the standings by pushing across eight tallies in the sixth inning to rout Redondo 11-5 on the Seahawk diamond.

The Hawks scored four times in the first inning but couldn't hold the advantage as the Vikings used five hurlers in posting their victory. The win gave Samohi a 2-1 league mark.

Unheralded Leuzinger won its second Bay League meeting Tuesday as the Olympians played rude hosts to Centennial by blanking the Apaches 3 to 0.

The Olymps tallied two times in the first frame and relied on the pitching of Jim Johnson the rest of the way. Johnson allowed only three hits as the Olymps were moving into fourth place with a 2-2 record.

Inglewood . . . (10) 002 0-14 12 1
Fortson and Patera; Clifford, Moir (1), Veres (3) and Vanierpool.
Santa Monica . . . 120 008 0-11 8 6
Redondo . . . 400 010 0-5 7 8
Peterson, Robertson (1), Myers (2), Bates (3), Beaudoin (6) and Ochoa; Carlson, Beattie (6) and Cook.
Centennial . . . 000 000 0-0 3 2
Leuzinger . . . 200 010 0-3 8 2

EC Batsmen, Phoenix Clash In Azusa Tournament Today

With a weak two-win, eight-loss conference record behind them, El Camino's defending consolation champions travel to Azusa this afternoon for the first round of the annual Azusa Baseball Tournament sponsored by the city's Civitan Club. The Warriors clash with a strong Phoenix JC squad in a 2:30 encounter.

Caminomen drew a bye in the second round, as they are seeded in the tourney play which continues through Saturday.

The Warriors go into the tournament with one of the weakest win-loss records in years. With hitters continuing their improved stickwork and continued good pitching, however, the tribesmen could provide the tournament upset.

Key to the vastly improved Camino team is slugger Ed Saunders, who is hitting over .450 in conference play and averages two hits per game. One of the strongest batters in the Metro conference, Saunders has smashed six home runs and is leading his team in runs batted in for the season.

A graduate of Gardena High School, Saunders is a sophomore at El Camino. Last year he lead Warrior batters, though working as a pitcher. In the outfield, the team's hit king boasts one of the strongest arms in the conference. In six games, no runner has scored on a ball hit to his field.

Jim Lynn, whose last start resulted in a four hit 7-0 win for the Warriors against Santa Monica, is scheduled to get the starting mound assignment against the Bears today.

Last season the locals dropped a 5-1 opener to Coalinga and proceeded to win the next four games and the consolation crown. In gathering the honors, they set a new record with 68 runs scored and third baseman Jack Evans was voted the tourney's most valuable player.

El Camino College will travel to Los Angeles Valley for its fourth gymnastics meet this afternoon at 3 p.m.

The Warriors have won their last two meets, the first over Harbor Junior College. Taking eight out of a possible nine first places, the Warriors won 54-27.

ROD & GUN Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL

Records of past San Diego Yellowtail Derbies continue to be shattered as the waters of the Coronado Islands again came alive with scrappy fighters the latter part of the week. Week end fishing racked up a score of over 4000 brought to gaff making it the biggest run to hit the popular feeding grounds in history with no let up in sight.

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Bill Korth, just back from San Felipe, reported the waters alive with small corvina. Totauava fishing is picking up after the recent wind storm with the best yet to come. Two were taken by his party, one a 90 pounder landed by Bill and the other topping 60 pounds.

Perch fishermen are still reaping a few, with a catch good anywhere along the local beaches. Weekend winds curtailed the activity somewhat, but ever-faithful surf addicts continued to score, weather permitting.

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